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Letter dated 22 November 2002 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Angola to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit a copy of the Declaration by the Joint Commission on the Peace Process in Angola dated 20 November 2002 and request that it be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Margarida Rosa da Silva **Izata**
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Annex to the letter dated 22 November 2002 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Angola to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Declaration by the Joint Commission on the Peace Process, signed at Luanda on 20 November 2002

The Joint Commission for the Angolan peace process, in the framework of its functions of implementation and conclusion of the Lusaka Protocol, having taken note of the relevant provisions of the "Acordos de Paz para Angola", pursuant to section C of annex 8, item 3.5 of the Lusaka Protocol, hereby issues the present declaration, which is duly signed by the parties, the Chair of the Joint Commission, as well as by the Ambassadors of the Troika of Observer States:

1. The Joint Commission has verified that the main tasks of the Angolan peace process have been completed;

2. The medium and long-term tasks shall be dealt with on a continuing basis, throughout the national reconciliation process, between the Government and UNITA;

3. Accordingly, the Joint Commission recognizes that the reasons to support the maintenance of sanctions against UNITA have ceased to exist, and recommends that the United Nations Security Council consider, with the closure of the Joint Commission, the immediate lifting of all sanctions imposed on UNITA.

For the United Nations

(*Signed*) Ibrahim A. **Gambari**
Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations
and Chairman of the Joint Commission

For the Government

(*Signed*) Fernando da Piedade Dias **dos Santos**

For UNITA

(*Signed*) Marcial Adriano **Dachala**

For Portugal

(*Signed*) Francisco Xavier **Esteves**

For the Russian Federation

(*Signed*) Andrey **Kernarsky**

For the United States

(*Signed*) Donald **Gatto**